

Thermal state of the harmonic oscillator (ref.: Gerry & Knight, Ch. 2.5)

According to statistical mechanics, at thermal equilibrium the probability P_n that the n^{th} level is excited is:

$$P_n = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{E_n}{k_B T}\right)}{\sum_k \exp\left(-\frac{E_k}{k_B T}\right)} \quad \text{where } E_n = n\hbar\omega \quad *$$

$$= \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(-\frac{E_n}{k_B T}\right) \quad \text{with } Z = \frac{1}{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}\right)}$$

* (we discard the zero point energy since it has no impact on the final density matrix)

• The density operator is: $\hat{\rho}_{th} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n |n\rangle\langle n|$

$$= \frac{1}{Z} \sum_n \tilde{p}^n |n\rangle\langle n|$$

with $\tilde{p} = e^{-\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}} < 1$

• Mean occupancy (phonon number):

$$\bar{n}_{th} = \langle \hat{n} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{n} \hat{\rho}_{th}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \langle n | \hat{n} \hat{\rho}_{th} | n \rangle$$

$$= \sum_n n P_n = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_n n \tilde{p}^n \rightarrow \tilde{p} = e^{-x}$$

↳ Geometric series:

$$\sum_n n e^{-nx} = -\frac{d}{dx} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-nx} = -\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{1 - e^{-x}} \right) = \frac{e^{-x}}{(1 - e^{-x})^2}$$

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Therefore with $\frac{1}{Z} = 1 - e^{-x}$ we obtain:

$$\bar{n}_{th} = \frac{e^{-x}}{1 - e^{-x}} = \frac{\tilde{p}}{1 - \tilde{p}} \quad \text{with } \tilde{p} = e^{-\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}}$$

we can rewrite: $\bar{n} = \left(e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}} - 1 \right)^{-1}$

This is the Bose-Einstein occupancy

Limiting cases:

• $\hbar\omega \ll k_B T \rightarrow \tilde{p} \approx 1 - \frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T} \rightarrow \left(\bar{n}_{th} \approx \frac{k_B T}{\hbar\omega} \gg 1 \right)$

• $\hbar\omega \gg k_B T \rightarrow \tilde{p} \ll 1 \rightarrow \left(\bar{n}_{th} \approx e^{-\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}} \ll 1 \right)$

↳ Show slide with curves -

Since $\bar{n} = \frac{1}{\tilde{p}^{-1} - 1} \Rightarrow \tilde{p}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\bar{n}} + 1 = \frac{\bar{n} + 1}{\bar{n}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\tilde{p} = \frac{\bar{n}}{\bar{n} + 1}}$

Then $\frac{1}{Z} = 1 - \tilde{p} = \frac{1}{\bar{n} + 1}$ and the density operator writes:

$$\hat{\rho}_{th} = \frac{1}{1 + \bar{n}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\bar{n}}{1 + \bar{n}} \right)^n |n\rangle\langle n| = (1 - \tilde{p}) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \tilde{p}^n |n\rangle\langle n|$$

and $\boxed{P_n = \frac{\bar{n}^n}{(\bar{n} + 1)^{n+1}}$

Intensity fluctuations: $\langle (\Delta n)^2 \rangle = \langle \hat{n}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{n} \rangle^2$

It can be shown that: $\langle \hat{n}^2 \rangle = \bar{n} + 2\bar{n}^2$

So that: $\langle (\Delta n)^2 \rangle = \bar{n} + \bar{n}^2$

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In particular we can compute the intensity correlation function $g^{(2)} = \frac{\langle a^\dagger a^\dagger a a \rangle}{\langle a^\dagger a \rangle^2} = \frac{\langle a^\dagger (a a^\dagger - 1) a \rangle}{\langle \hat{n} \rangle^2} = \frac{\langle \hat{n}^2 - \hat{n} \rangle}{\langle \hat{n} \rangle^2}$

$$= \frac{2\bar{n}^2}{\bar{n}^2} = 2$$

Rem. Consider measuring $g^{(2)}$ on two thermal modes:

$$I = I_a + I_b \rightarrow g^{(2)} = \frac{\langle : I^2 : \rangle}{\langle I \rangle^2} = \frac{\langle : I_a^2 + I_b^2 + 2I_a I_b : \rangle}{4 \langle I_a \rangle^2}$$
$$= \frac{g_a^{(2)}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}$$

For N modes $g_N^{(2)} = 1 + \frac{1}{N}$

Walls & Milburn Ch. 4 p. 58:

- The thermal density operator with $P_n = \frac{1}{1+\bar{n}} \left(\frac{\bar{n}}{1+\bar{n}} \right)^n$ can be obtained by maximizing the entropy:
 $S = -\text{Tr}(\rho \ln \rho)$ subject to the constraint $\text{Tr}\{\hat{\rho} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}\} = \bar{n}$
- General expression for $g^{(2)}(0) = 1 + \frac{V(n) - \bar{n}}{\bar{n}^2}$ where $V(n)$ is the variance
 $V(n) = \langle (\Delta n)^2 \rangle$

For thermal state $V(n) = \bar{n}^2 + \bar{n} \Rightarrow g^{(2)}(0) = 2$
coherent state $V(n) = \bar{n} \Rightarrow g^{(2)}(0) = 1$

Interaction of light with a collection of Raman-active oscillators

Ref.: T. von Foerster and R. J. Glauber, Phys. Rev. A 3 1484 (1971)

Model: • Plane waves polarized along z propagating along $\pm x$

• Linear chain of diatomic molecules, displacement $u(x, t)$

The induced polarisation for a given field depends on $u(x, t)$:

$$\vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi(u(x, t)) \vec{E}_{\text{tot}} \rightarrow \text{we expand: } \chi(x, t) = \chi_0 + \chi_R u(x, t) + O(u^2)$$

↑ susceptibility
 ↑ Raman susceptibility

$$\text{where } \chi_R = \left. \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial u} \right|_{u=0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Electric Displacement: } \vec{D} &= \epsilon_0 \vec{E}(x, t) + \vec{P} \\ &= \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi) E_z + \epsilon_0 \chi_R E_z u_z \end{aligned}$$

NB: in general χ_R is a tensor: χ_{ijk} and the last term $D_i^{(R)} = \epsilon_0 \chi_{ijk} E_j u_k$

Energy density of the system:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{tot}} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{D} \cdot \vec{E} + \frac{1}{2} \vec{B} \cdot \vec{B} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{free}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{int}}$$

$$\text{with } \mathcal{H}_{\text{int}} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \chi_R E_z^2(x, t) u_z(x, t)$$

Now we decompose the field in a strongly populated plane wave (laser) and the rest: $\vec{E}(x, t) \rightarrow \vec{E}_L(x, t) + \vec{E}(x, t)$

With this:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{int}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \chi_R E_L^2(x, t) u(x, t)}_{\text{Shift of zero point motion of the molecular vibration}} + \underbrace{\epsilon_0 \chi_R E_L(x, t) E_S(x, t) u(x, t)}_{\text{Important term}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \chi_R E_S^2(x, t) u(x, t)}_{\text{Second order effect}}$$

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Expansion of the fields:

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \quad E_L(x,t) &= E_L \cos(k_L x - \omega_L t) = \frac{E_L}{2} e^{i(k_L x - \omega_L t)} + \frac{E_L}{2} e^{-i(k_L x - \omega_L t)} \\ &= \underbrace{E_L^{(+)} e^{-i\omega_L t}}_{\sim e^{-i\omega_L t}} + \underbrace{E_L^{(-)} e^{+i\omega_L t}}_{\sim e^{+i\omega_L t}} \quad (\text{analytical signals}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet \quad E_B(x,t) = \sum_k \sqrt{\frac{\hbar \omega_k}{2L\epsilon_0}} \left(i \hat{a}_k e^{i(kx - \omega_k t)} + \text{h.c.} \right) = E^{(+)} + E^{(-)}$$

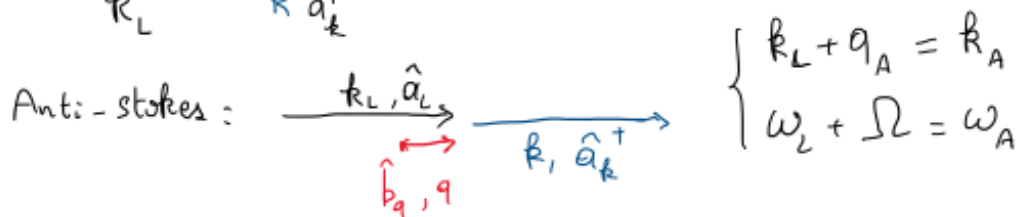
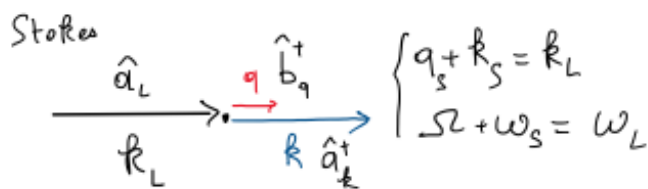
$$\bullet \quad u(x,t) = \sum_q \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2Lg\Omega}} \left(\hat{b}_q e^{i(qx - \Omega t)} + \text{h.c.} \right) = u^{(+)} + u^{(-)}$$

This yields 8 terms in the Hamiltonian, but those with $E^{(-)} E^{(-)}$ and $E^{(+)} E^{(+)}$ oscillates around $2\omega_L$ + cannot conserve energy.

Rmg.: conservation of energy \Leftrightarrow time-independent Hamiltonian.
 \hookrightarrow fast oscillating terms average to zero -

We finally get: $\mathcal{H}_{\text{int}} = \mathcal{H}_S + \mathcal{H}_A$ with $\mathcal{H}_S = \frac{\epsilon_0 \chi_R}{2} E_L^{(+)} E^{(-)} u^{(-)} + \text{h.c.}$

$$\mathcal{H}_A = \frac{\epsilon_0 \chi_R}{2} E_L^{(+)} E^{(-)} u^{(+)} + \text{h.c.}$$



\times We get two new modes populated at $\omega_L \pm \Omega$

\times They couple to the same phonon mode if $n \approx c \text{ote}$:

$$q_s = k_L - k_s \quad \& \quad q_A = k_A - k_L$$

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If constant index: $k = \frac{\omega}{nc} \rightarrow q_s = \frac{\Omega}{nc} = q_A$

Rem: Since $\lambda \gg d$ where d is lattice constant, we have $\Delta k \sim \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \ll \frac{\pi}{d} \sim$ size of first Brillouin zone.

Conclusions: The laser field couples two ~~near~~ ^{EM} modes (S, A) to the same phonon mode.

The interaction Hamiltonian for the Stokes field is:

$$\hat{H}_S = \int \mathcal{H}_S dx = \int \frac{dx}{L} \frac{\epsilon_0 \chi_R}{2} \frac{\epsilon_L}{2} \frac{\hbar}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\omega_s}{\epsilon_0 \beta \Omega}} i \hat{a}_s^\dagger \hat{b}^\dagger e^{i(0-0)} + h.c.$$

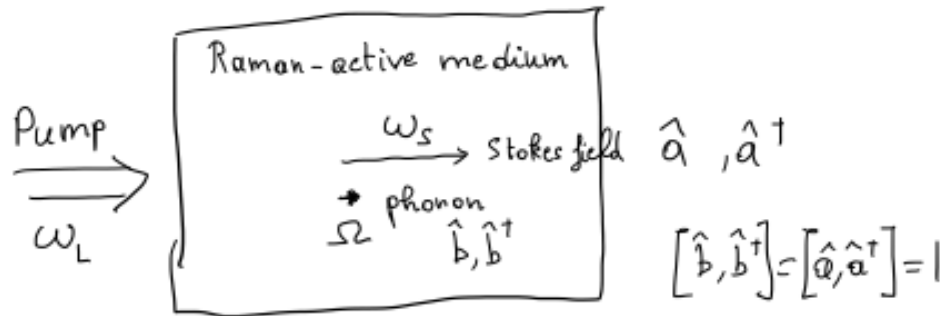
$$= \frac{1}{8} \sqrt{\epsilon_0} \chi_R \frac{\epsilon_L}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\omega_s}{\beta \Omega}} \hbar (i \hat{a}_s^\dagger \hat{b}^\dagger - i \hat{a}_s \hat{b})$$

$$\hat{H}_S = i\hbar (g_s \hat{a}_s^\dagger \hat{b}^\dagger - g_s^* \hat{a}_s \hat{b}) \quad \text{two-mode squeezing}$$

and $\hat{H}_A = i\hbar (g_A \hat{a}_A^\dagger \hat{b} - g_B^* \hat{a}_A \hat{b}^\dagger) \quad \text{beam-splitter}$

Two-mode squeezed vacuum

Situation:



- Initially, modes a and b are in vacuum or weakly occupied thermal state (say $\bar{n}_{th} < 10^{-2}$): $|\Psi_{in}\rangle_{a,b} = |0\rangle_a \otimes |0\rangle_b$
- \rightarrow the anti-Stokes interaction plays little role.

Stokes interaction Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{H}_s = i\hbar (g \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b}^\dagger - g^* \hat{a} \hat{b}) = i\hbar (\lambda e^{i\theta} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b}^\dagger - \lambda e^{-i\theta} \hat{a} \hat{b})$$

- We look for the Stokes/phonon state after an interaction time t :

$$|\Psi_t\rangle = \hat{U}(t) |\Psi_{in}\rangle \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{U}(t) = \exp\left(-\frac{it}{\hbar} \hat{H}_s\right)$$

$$\text{(Schrödinger picture)} \quad = \exp(gt \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b}^\dagger - g^* t \hat{a} \hat{b})$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (gt \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b}^\dagger - g^* t \hat{a} \hat{b})^n \rightarrow \text{Hard!}$$

- In the Heisenberg picture we can write the Heisenberg-Langevin equations of motion:

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \hat{a}}{\partial t} = [\hat{a}, \hat{H}_s] \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \hat{a}}{\partial t} = g [\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger] \hat{b}^\dagger = g \hat{b}^\dagger = \lambda e^{i\theta} \hat{b}^\dagger \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{b}}{\partial t} = g \hat{a}^\dagger = \lambda e^{i\theta} \hat{a}^\dagger \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{b}^\dagger}{\partial t} = \lambda e^{-i\theta} \hat{a} \quad (3)$$

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From (1) and (3) we get: $\frac{\partial^2 \hat{a}}{\partial t^2} = \lambda^2 \hat{a}(t)^2$
(similarly: $\frac{\partial^2 \hat{b}}{\partial t^2} = \lambda^2 \hat{b}(t)^2$)

Solutions are of the form $\hat{a}(t) = \hat{A} e^{\lambda t} + \hat{B} e^{-\lambda t}$

Initial conditions: $t=0 \rightarrow \hat{a}_0 = \hat{A} + \hat{B}$ (4)

Derivative: $\lambda e^{i\theta} \hat{b}_0^\dagger = \lambda \hat{A} - \lambda \hat{B}$
 $\Leftrightarrow e^{i\theta} \hat{b}_0^\dagger = \hat{A} - \hat{B}$ (5)

From (4) and (5) we get: $\hat{A} = \frac{\hat{a}_0 + e^{i\theta} \hat{b}_0^\dagger}{2}$
 $\hat{B} = \frac{\hat{a}_0 - e^{i\theta} \hat{b}_0^\dagger}{2}$

Therefore: $\hat{a}(t) = \hat{a}_0 \frac{e^{\lambda t} + e^{-\lambda t}}{2} + \hat{b}_0^\dagger e^{i\theta} \frac{e^{\lambda t} - e^{-\lambda t}}{2}$

$$\hat{a}_t = \hat{a}_0 \cosh(\lambda t) + \hat{b}_0^\dagger e^{i\theta} \sinh(\lambda t)$$

and $\hat{b}(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda e^{-i\theta}} \frac{\partial \hat{a}^\dagger}{\partial t} = e^{i\theta} \left(\hat{a}_0^\dagger \sinh(\lambda t) + \hat{b}_0 e^{-i\theta} \cosh(\lambda t) \right)$

$$\hat{b}_t = \hat{b}_0 \cosh(\lambda t) + \hat{a}_0^\dagger e^{i\theta} \sinh(\lambda t)$$

We have shown that $\hat{U}^\dagger(t) \hat{a}_0 \hat{U}(t) = \hat{a}_t$

NB: this can also be done with the help of the Baker-Hausdorff lemma:

$$e^{x\hat{A}} \hat{B} e^{-x\hat{A}} = \hat{B} + x[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] + \frac{x^2}{2!} [\hat{A}, [\hat{A}, \hat{B}]] + \dots$$

\Rightarrow Now, how to switch to Schrödinger picture?

Two-mode squeezed vacuum

Preliminary remarks: * \hat{H}_S commute with $\hat{n}_a - \hat{n}_b$:

$$[\hat{H}_S, \hat{n}_a - \hat{n}_b] = [\hat{H}_S, \hat{n}_a] - [\hat{H}_S, \hat{n}_b] = 0$$

This means that $\langle \hat{n}_a \rangle = \langle \hat{n}_b \rangle$ (constant of motion)

* \hat{H}_S creates and annihilates by pair a, b , therefore if the initial state is the vacuum, after time t :

$$|\Psi_t\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n |n\rangle_a \otimes |n\rangle_b = \sum_n \alpha_n |n, n\rangle = |\xi\rangle$$

* For a weak interaction $t\lambda \ll 1$ we can expand:

$$\hat{U}(t) = 1 + t\lambda e^{i\theta} a^\dagger b^\dagger - t\lambda e^{-i\theta} ab + \frac{1}{2!} (t\lambda e^{i\theta} a^\dagger b^\dagger - t\lambda e^{-i\theta} ab)^2 + \dots$$

Applied on vacuum: $|\Psi_t\rangle \approx |0,0\rangle + t\lambda e^{i\theta} |1,1\rangle + \frac{t^2 \lambda^2 e^{2i\theta}}{2!} |2,2\rangle - \frac{\lambda^2 t^2}{2} |0,0\rangle$

$$\approx \left(1 - \frac{t^2 \lambda^2}{2}\right) |0,0\rangle + t\lambda e^{i\theta} |1,1\rangle + \frac{t^2 \lambda^2 e^{2i\theta}}{2} |2,2\rangle$$

$$\approx |0,0\rangle + t\lambda e^{i\theta} |1,1\rangle \quad \text{if } t\lambda \ll 1$$

Calculation of the wave function of the squeezed vacuum

We set $\mu = \cosh(\lambda t)$ and $\nu = \sinh(\lambda t) e^{i\theta}$

We use $\hat{a}_0 |0,0\rangle = 0$ to write $\hat{U}(t) \hat{a}_0 \hat{U}^\dagger(t) |0,0\rangle = 0$

but $\hat{U}(t) |0,0\rangle = |\xi\rangle$ (squeezed vacuum)

and $\hat{U}(t) \hat{a}_0 \hat{U}^\dagger(t)$ is the inverse transformation $\hat{a}_t \rightarrow \hat{a}_0$, that is:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{a}_t = \mu \hat{a}_0 + \nu \hat{b}_0^\dagger \\ \hat{b}_t = \mu \hat{b}_0 + \nu \hat{a}_0^\dagger \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} (\mu^2 - \nu^2) \hat{a}_0 = \mu \hat{a}_t - \nu \hat{b}_t^\dagger = \hat{a}_0 \\ \text{and } \mu \hat{b}_t - \nu \hat{a}_t^\dagger = \hat{b}_0 \end{cases}$$

Therefore: $(\mu \hat{a}_t - \nu \hat{b}_t^\dagger) |\xi\rangle = 0$ With $|\xi\rangle = \sum_n \alpha_n |n, n\rangle$ we have:

$$\sum_n \alpha_n (\mu \sqrt{n} |n-1, n\rangle - \nu \sqrt{n+1} |n, n+1\rangle) = 0$$

This can only be true if each coefficient is zero:

$$\forall n, \quad \alpha_{n+1} \mu - \alpha_n \nu = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\alpha_{n+1}}{\alpha_n} = \frac{\nu}{\mu}$$

$$\text{thus: } \alpha_n = \alpha_0 \left(\frac{\nu}{\mu}\right)^n = \alpha_0 e^{in\theta} \tanh(\lambda t)^n$$

α_0 is determined from the normalisation condition $\sum |\alpha_n|^2 = 1$:

$$1 = \alpha_0^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \tanh^{2n}(\lambda t) = \alpha_0^2 (1 - \tanh^2(\lambda t))^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_0^2 = 1 - \tanh^2(\lambda t) = \frac{\cosh^2 - \sinh^2}{\cosh^2} = \frac{1}{\cosh^2(\lambda t)}$$

We finally arrive at the expression of the two-mode squeezed vacuum in the Fock basis:

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi\rangle &= \frac{1}{\cosh(\lambda t)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{in\theta} \tanh^n(\lambda t) |n, n\rangle \\ &= \sqrt{1 - |\tilde{p}|^2} \sum_n \tilde{p}^n |n, n\rangle \quad \text{with } \tilde{p} = e^{i\theta} \tanh(\lambda t) \end{aligned}$$

Two-mode
squeezed
vacuum

"two-photon coherent state"

Density operator:

$$\hat{\rho}_s = |\xi\rangle\langle\xi| = (1 - |\tilde{p}|^2) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \tilde{p}^n \tilde{p}^{*m} |n, n\rangle\langle m, m|$$

Two-mode squeezed
vacuum

• Properties of the marginal states.

We trace over mode b:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\rho}_a &= \frac{1}{\text{Tr}_{a,b}(\hat{\rho})} \text{Tr}_b(\hat{\rho}) = \text{Tr}_b(\hat{\rho}) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \langle m| \hat{\rho} |m\rangle_b \\ &= \sum_m (1 - |\tilde{p}|^2) \tilde{p}^m \tilde{p}^{*m} |m\rangle_a \langle m| \\ &= (1 - p) \sum_n p^n |n\rangle \langle n| \quad \text{with } p = |\tilde{p}|^2 \end{aligned}$$

This is a thermal state with $p = \frac{\bar{n}}{1 + \bar{n}}$ or $\bar{n} = \frac{p}{1 - p}$; $p = e^{-\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T}}$

• Probability of creating one pair.:

$$P(1,1) = (1-p)p$$

• n pair: $P(n,n) = (1-p)p^n$

Fock state heralding

We start from the two mode squeezed vacuum and take

$$\tilde{p} \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \tilde{p} = \sqrt{p}$$

$$|\xi\rangle = \sqrt{1-p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sqrt{p}^n |n\rangle_a \otimes |n\rangle_b$$

If we detect at least one photon in mode a, mode b is described by the density matrix:

$$\hat{\rho}^{\text{cond}} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(n,n) |n\rangle\langle n| = \frac{1}{K} (1-p) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p^n |n\rangle\langle n|$$

For normalisation: $K = (1-p) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p^n = (1-p) \left(\frac{1}{1-p} - 1 \right) = p$

Finally: $\hat{\rho}_{\text{cond}} = \frac{1-p}{p} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p^n |n\rangle\langle n|$

for $p \ll 1$, $\hat{\rho}_{\text{cond}} = |1\rangle\langle 1| + p|2\rangle\langle 2| + \mathcal{O}(p^2)$

~ Fock state

Beam-splitter interaction

We start from the anti-Stokes interaction Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{H}_A = i\hbar (g \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b} - g^* \hat{b}^\dagger \hat{a}) = i\hbar (\lambda e^{i\theta} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b} - \lambda e^{-i\theta} \hat{b}^\dagger \hat{a})$$

Heisenberg equations:

$$\frac{\partial \hat{a}}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\hat{a}, \hat{H}] = \lambda e^{i\theta} \hat{b} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial \hat{b}}{\partial t} = -\lambda e^{-i\theta} \hat{a}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \hat{a}}{\partial t^2} = -\lambda^2 \hat{a} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial^2 \hat{b}}{\partial t^2} = -\lambda^2 \hat{b}$$

Solutions of the form: $\hat{a}(t) = \hat{A} \cos(\lambda t) + \hat{B} \sin(\lambda t)$

$t=0$: $\hat{a}_0 = \hat{A}$; $\left. \frac{\partial \hat{a}}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} = \lambda \hat{B} = \lambda e^{i\theta} \hat{b}_0 \Rightarrow \hat{B} = e^{i\theta} \hat{b}_0$

Therefore: $\hat{a}_t = \hat{a}_0 \cos(\lambda t) + \hat{b}_0 \sin(\lambda t) e^{i\theta}$
 $\hat{b}_t = \hat{b}_0 \cos(\lambda t) - e^{-i\theta} \hat{a}_0 \sin(\lambda t)$

Normally ordered expectation values, if $|\Psi_a\rangle = |0\rangle$:

$$\langle : (a_t^\dagger a_t)^n : \rangle = \langle (a_t^\dagger)^n (a_t)^n \rangle = \sin^2(\lambda t) \langle : (b_0^\dagger b_0)^n : \rangle$$

In particular: $g_{a_t}^{(2)} = g_{b_0}^{(2)}$ statistical properties of mode b_0 are mapped on mode a_t

Beam-splitter interaction

Example: input Fock state on mode b : $|\Psi_{in}\rangle = |0\rangle_a \otimes |1\rangle_b$

where $|1\rangle_b = \hat{b}_0^\dagger |0\rangle$

we have to express \hat{b}_0 in terms of \hat{a}_t, \hat{b}_t :

$$\cos(\lambda t) \hat{a}_t - \sin(\lambda t) e^{i\theta} \hat{b}_t = \hat{a}_0$$

$$e^{-i\theta} \sin(\lambda t) \hat{a}_t + \cos(\lambda t) \hat{b}_t = \hat{b}_0$$

Therefore $\hat{b}_0^\dagger |0, 1\rangle_{a,b} = e^{+i\theta} \sin(\lambda t) |1, 0\rangle + \cos(\lambda t) |0, 1\rangle_{a_t, b_t}$

↳ The phonon b_0^\dagger is mapped onto an anti-Stokes photon a_t^\dagger with probability $\sin^2(\lambda t)$

Input = 2 phonon Fock state $|\Psi_{in}\rangle = |0\rangle_a \otimes |2\rangle_b$

where $|2\rangle_{b_0} = \frac{\hat{b}_0^\dagger \hat{b}_0^\dagger}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle_{b_0}$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\sqrt{2} e^{2i\theta} \sin^2(\lambda t) |2, 0\rangle + 2 e^{i\theta} \cos(\lambda t) \sin(\lambda t) |1, 1\rangle + \sqrt{2} \cos^2(\lambda t) |0, 2\rangle \right)$$

More generally for a "n-phonon" Fock state input:

$$|\Psi_{in}\rangle = |0, n\rangle \rightarrow |\Psi_{out}\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^{1/2} \tau^k \rho^{n-k} |n-k, k\rangle$$

where $\tau = \cos(\lambda t)$ and $\rho = e^{i\theta} \sin(\lambda t)$

Photons split like if they were distinguishable particle, and the proba to have k transmitted and $n-k$ reflected is $\binom{n}{k} |\tau|^{2k} |\rho|^{2(n-k)}$